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Senator Gallinger has evidently satisfied himself as to the shortcomings which affect the efficiency of our public school system. A few days since he expressed himself in the Senate as believing that the school facilities here were nearly, if not quite, adequate to the wants of the children; now he knows better—if he did not then. At that time he also said: "If it shall appear that the school facilities are inadequate I am sure that Congress will have to make necessary appropriations to provide necessary school accommodations." The Star, in commenting on the Senator's remarks, said it hoped he would prove a success in his role of prophet, and so far as the Senate is concerned, he fills the bill admirably. The Senate Committee on Appropriations gave careful consideration to the arguments presented by the friends of the schools and reached the altogether creditable conclusion that there was urgent need for a much greater expenditure than that authorized by the House of Representatives; in this conclusion they seem to have the hearty sympathy and unyielding support of the Senate. Complimenting the members of the Senate committee on their report, Senator Gallinger said:

"They have recognized the necessity and have met the emergency in a spirit of liberality that is worthy of all praise. It is a good beginning, to be followed, I trust, in future Congresses. Still, however, appropriations, and to be continued until every child in the District is given the fullest opportunity for an education and a right start in life. In culture, refinement, in art, in literature and science Washington will compare with the most advanced cities of the world. Her streets, her avenues, churches, homes and public buildings are the pride of the people of the entire nation. One blot alone seems to be on her fair name, and that is the condition of our schools. It is a serious blemish, and in the interest alike of virtue and good government we should welcome the determination of the Senate Committee on Appropriations to remedy the evil."

The portrait presented by the Senator from New Hampshire is admirably truthful and will be recognized by all who have the welfare of Washington at heart. It is a serious blemish on the District's reputation that any children (not to say any considerable number of children) should be without opportunity to acquire at least the rudiments of the education that today is essential to success in any civilized community. The condition complained of would not be in existence had Congress acceded to the request of the District Committee on Appropriations and by the Senate itself the people of the District of Columbia are grateful; not because they are improper beneficiaries, but because they have become accustomed to exhibiting gratitude for congressional permission to purchase with their own money even the common necessities incidental to municipal government. Concluding his remarks, Senator Gallinger called upon the Senate to stand by the committee "in the amendments proposed, and stand by them, too, in any contest that may arise in the committee of conference over these proposed increases for the public schools of the District of Columbia." The people of the District of Columbia re-echo the Senator's call for righteous adhesion to a good cause.

Hardly a day passes without the appearance in the public press of anti-trolley testimony that amply justifies the opposition which has prevented the overhead trolley combination from taking possession of this city's streets. The primary objection to the trolley was the obstructiveness of its poles and wires; as the most conspicuous when they interfered with the operations of the fire department. Since then there have developed other objections even more serious: the causing of conflagrations by broken wires, the killing of many people by the same cause and the interruption of gas and water service because the process of electrolysis ate away the pipes. One of the cities that permitted the overhead trolley to come in and possess everything it imagined it wanted is Philadelphia, and there the people are praying for speedy relief; yesterday their petitions were renewed as the result of a series of occurrences by no means surprising but decidedly alarming. The arm of a trolley car lost connection with the overhead feed-wire, collided with an uncharged trolley wire on another line, broke it, put it in connection with a feed-wire and started pyrotechnic display that cleared the street like magic. Then one end of the charged wire got into touch with an awning post and permitted the wandering current to do a great deal of damage. The fluid ran from the awning post to the water pipe beneath, burst the pipe and released the water, much to the detriment of a cellar, in which valuable goods were stored. The proprietor of the cellar and the property above it speedily discovered that something was wrong but could not get outside of his house for quite awhile, the delay being caused by the electricity which had bewitched his door-locks; for some time it was impossible to turn a key. Meanwhile the current had worked up a water spout and destroyed it; at the same time setting fire to the cornice of an adjacent store. Two doors further on, the occupant of a house attempted to draw water from a bathroom faucet and was astounded beyond measure when a shower of fiery sparks burst forth, followed by the desired water which, incidentally, was laden with enough of the current to shock the woman who was holding the pitcher. Almost immediately the two bathroom faucets became red hot and fell, mischance upon the tub. The amount of damage done was not, when expressed in figures, very great—a thousand dollars would cover all—but only by exercising precaution was serious trouble averted. And yet some people wonder why the city of Washington does not want to have anything to do with the overhead trolley?

China seems to be as weak in the field of diplomacy as on the field of battle. To the watching world it has been evident for some time that Japan must ultimately be victorious in the strife which, up to this time, has been practically one-sided; and it was reasonably supposed that as soon as this condition was evident to the Chinese authorities there would be speedy movement toward an agreement with Japan which should terminate the unequal struggle. There was every reason why China should sue for peace; its army had demonstrated incapacity from the outset, its navy was as great a failure, and there was almost complete absence of anything that even faintly resembled patriotic interest in the quarrel that arose over Korea. There was every reason why Japan should keep

up the fight; its soldiers had exhibited unexpected ability, its sailors did quite as well in very many respects as the trained seamen of the great European navies, and throughout the length and breadth of Japan there was the strongest possible war-feeling. From the day when it was first whispered that China would endeavor to secure a cessation of hostilities, Japan has given every indication of intention to decline—until the world's opinion made declaration longer impossible—anything like serious consideration of a proposition looking to peace, and, however the situation may have appeared to Chinese statesmen, it was plain enough to every intelligent newspaper reader in the United States that Japan would take advantage of every technicality to continue the triumphant march of its power toward the Chinese capital. Japan's attitude was by no means unreasonable. For many years China had bullied its little neighbor without hindrance and it is only natural for Japan to keep on making plain its military superiority until China openly admits that it is, after all, a very inferior power, in spite of the overwhelming advantage it has as to population. Then, too, the Japanese, knowing well the character of those with whom they had to deal, had little or no confidence in the declarations of the Celestial diplomats; they rightly suspected that every day of delay would be used by the Chinese for the purpose of improving offensive and defensive opportunities, and very properly it was decided to refuse China such a great advantage. Now it appears that the Chinese envoys who were sent to Japan apparently for the purpose of arranging a peace had no authority to do anything more than refer whatever agreement might be reached to the government at Peking; this would indicate insincerity or stupidity on the part of China, for Japan had served formal notice on China that envoys not accredited with plenipotentiary powers were not to be dealt with. It may be that those subordinates in charge of Chinese affairs are anxious to see the dynasty by which they are governed totter to its fall; if that be so, then the proceedings that now have taken place are an exceeding strange case to be accounted for. While the Chinese envoys are moving homeward the Japanese armies will be advancing steadily, and when they reach Peking, as they undoubtedly will unless interfered with by diplomatic action, there will probably be an end of Manchu rule in China.

The House of Representatives did the right thing when it recommended to the Committee on Pacific Railroads that measure which is popularly known as the funding bill. The scheme involved promised profit only to those who have already secured possession of very much more than is their own. Heretofore only spasmodic attention has been given the great interests of the government in the Pacific railway properties; it is time to assert a right that never could be asserted were the practically-defeated bill ever to become a law.

Japan is disposed to encourage the tradition that a lavish consumption of time and an enormous surplusage of conversation are necessary to the transaction of official business. The little island will be giving lessons in diplomacy yet.

Mr. Penoyer of Oregon is interested in a sawed log of the District of Columbia, his being able to saw wood, but he will have a good deal of difficulty in saying nothing.

Rocheport's return to Paris was too good an opportunity for a "demonstration"—the favorite amusement of the populace—to be allowed to escape.

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